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Dear Sir:

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Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, a list of documents is disclosed that may be material to the examination of this Application. A copy of each of the documents is included herewith for the Examiner's consideration.

No inference should be drawn that the attached represents a comprehensive investigation of the prior art; that any or all are pertinent to the invention; that any apparatus or methods disclosed are analogous to the invention; or that any apparatus or methods disclosed are the equivalent of the subject invention.

The following comments are directed to the documents disclosed on the accompanying form PTO/SB/08A:

- 1. Bennett et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,747,893, describes a termination scheme for twisted-wire pairs for network communication systems, such as Fast Ethernet 100BaseTX, where the wires are electrically connected together and a single resistor is coupled in series between the junction of the wires and ground.
- 2. Yang et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,309,036, describes a driver circuit for use with an attachment unit interface in a network system that receives complementary data signals and an enable signal from a constant current source and a differential transistor pair that includes a pair of differential transistors and a pair of load resistors.
- 3. Van Brunt et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,485,488, describes a transmission circuit that may operate in a differential signal mode and simultaneously in a common mode signal mode both utilizing a common mode cable.

All of Applicant's claims are believed to be allowable over the references discussed above.

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